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In re the Application of Group 1617

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In response to the July 19, 2007 office action, please amend the claims as shown in Appendix A.

A fee of \$525 for a three-month extension of time is being paid online as a small entity, to extend the time for response from October 19, 2007 to January 22, 2008. If this amount is incorrect, please refer to the Deposit Account Authorization previously filed for this application. If any additional extension of time is required, please consider this paper a petition for the total extension of time required. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).